

DEPARTMENT: MARKET CATTLE
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Skillathon - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday prior to fair

First Saturday of fair

Market Beef & Feeder Exhibitor's Meeting & Weigh-In -
12:00 noon Saturday, September 17

Showmanship and Fitting & Grooming –
5:00 p.m. Saturday, September 17

Market Beef Show –
5:30 p.m. Monday, September 19

Premiums: Grade A - \$8.00 B - 6.00 C - \$3.00

- 1. Read the FAIR GENERAL RULES.**
2. No class will consist of more than 10 animals.
3. Dairy feeders must be from dairy breeds to show in dairy feeder class. Beef feeders must be from beef breeds to show in the beef feeder class. Any feeders with obvious beef characteristics will be placed in the beef feeder class. Any questions will be resolved by the steer show committee at the pre-conditioning and tagging in August.
4. It is mandatory that all feeders must be pre-conditioned at the fairgrounds on the date determined by the steer show committee.
5. Dairy Feeders must be a steer, born after January 1 of current year, dehorned, and meet fair health requirements. No stags will be permitted to show.
6. Beef Feeders must be a heifer or steer born after January 1 of current year, dehorned, no stags and meet fair health requirements.
7. Leased feeder calves that will not be sold may be exhibited at the fair. Exhibitors are still responsible for the daily care of animals and need to have the animals in their care by the possession deadline. If an animal is leased, a copy of the lease agreement, including accompanying identifying information must be turned in to the Extension Office by the July 7th deadline. All feeder calf project requirements must be met.
8. It is recommended that male feeder calves be castrated by July 15th and be completely healed by tagging in August.
9. Feeders under 350 pounds and over 700 pounds will show in underweight and overweight classes, respectively. Underweight and overweight classes cannot show for champion or trophies except in showmanship and fitting and grooming classes. The animal can not go through the sale, but can be sold through the Sale Committee.
10. Exhibitors may show up to 2 finished market beef animals and/or 2 market dairy steers and/or 2 beef feeders and/or 2 dairy feeders but can only sell one animal. Exhibitors may identify or tag up to 4 animals in each category but can only bring 2 to the fair.
11. Market Beef animals may be a heifer or a steer born after January 1 of the previous year, dehorned, and meet fair health requirements. Steers must be properly castrated and no stags will be permitted to show.
12. Market Heifers will show with steers in the same classes.
13. Finished market beef animals will show by weight as determined by show committee. Beef and Dairy Feeders will be assigned to a show class by weight as determined by the sale committee.
14. Finished market beef animals must not have permanent incisor teeth showing.

15. Finished market beef animals will be graded and placed by the judge.
16. All finished market beef animals must weigh 900 pounds or more to show and sell. Dairy steers must weigh between 1000 and 1600 pounds.
17. Members must have finished market beef project animals in their possession by March 1. Switching animals after March 1 is not permitted for any reason.
18. All finished market beef animals must have been tagged in March at the Delaware County Fairgrounds. The Show Committee reserves the right to refuse to tag unruly animals or any dangerous and uncontrollable animal not broke to lead. In the interest of safety to exhibitors, any unruly animal will be ineligible to show and sell.
19. Stall space will be assigned by barn committee. **No changes may be made without the approval of the stalling chairman.**
20. The ringmen have authority to dismiss dangerous and uncontrolled animals. If an animal is dismissed by the ringmen, the animal may be sold, but there will be no placing of the animal by the judge. Two ringmen and the judge will make the final decision in the case of a dispute.
21. If an exhibitor leaves the ring during the show, unless the exhibitor is injured, the animal and the exhibitor will be dismissed from the class. That animal will not be placed in the class.
22. Exhibitors have their choice of sawdust or mulch unless otherwise instructed by the Beef Show Committee. Notification of a change will be determined by the date of the feeder calf tagging.
23. All exhibitors must adhere to the following dress code while in the show or sale rings; a button/snap collared shirt closed within one button from the top, long or short sleeve permitted but no sleeveless. No logos or ads on shirts other than 4-H or FFA. Long pants, no shorts, wear sturdy shoes or boots, no open toe or heel, no sandals. Clothes must be neat and clean in appearance with no rips or tears. No hats unless western style.

Release of Cattle – Exhibitors are responsible for the feeding & care of their animal until 6:00 pm, Wednesday. A rope halter will be furnished to tie each sale animal following the sale.

Dairy Steer Rules NEW FOR 2016

1. Market Dairy Steers weigh between 1000-1600 pounds. Finished market dairy steer classes will be determined by the Beef Committee. There will be a grand and reserve champion dairy steer only if there are 6 or more dairy steers exhibited and eligible for show.
2. Calves must be 100% dairy or cross from within the dairy breeds. These 5 dairy breeds are accepted without registration papers: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, & Jersey. If at any point the breed of the dairy steer is questioned; the Beef Committee has the right to request registration papers and disqualify the exhibitor; this will be determined at the time of tagging the first Saturday in March.
3. All Dairy Steers must be in the possession of the exhibitor by March 1.
4. Exhibitors are encouraged but is not mandatory to bring back a dairy feeder from the previous year to show as a market dairy steer the following year as a two year project.

Fitting & Grooming Contest

1. There are three age divisions 9 - 11 yrs., 12 - 14 yrs. and 15 - 18 yrs. All ages will be determined as of January 1.
2. The fitting and grooming contests will be for all beef project club members.
3. Each participant will be given a prescribed amount of time to fit and groom his/her animal. Juniors will have 15 minutes, intermediates 12 minutes, and seniors 10 minutes

- to work on their animals.
- 4. Participants must bring all their equipment just prior to the start of the contest.
- 5. Each participant must do his/her own work and no coaching will be permitted.
- 6. A junior fair member may be used to hold an animal while it is being fitted and groomed.
- 7. Exhibitors in showmanship and/or fitting and grooming must complete that class unaided. They cannot take advice from anyone in the observing crowd or the 4-H assistant in fitting and grooming.
- 8. The winner will receive a plaque.

Rate of Gain

- 1. A Rate of Gain Contest will be conducted, based upon March and September weights.
- 2. Plaques will be furnished to the first three places.

Adult Showmanship

- 1. An Adult Beef Showmanship class will be held immediately following the Junior Showmanship Class.
- 2. Adults that have shown at the Delaware County Junior Fair or who have children showing the current year may participate.
- 3. Participants may use animals borrowed from Junior Fair participants.
- 4. Last year's winner is not eligible.
- 5. Plaques will be furnished to the first place.

Youth Showmanship

- 1. Showmanship is open to junior fair feeder calf and market beef exhibitors.
- 2. See Rules for All Showman and Fitting & Grooming Contest under the General Livestock Rules.

Skillathon

- 1. The Beef Skillathon will be held on Saturday before the fair, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., in the Junior Fair Show Arena.
- 2. There will be three age groups: 9-11 years; 12-14 years; and 15-18 years.
- 3. There will be prize money of \$25.00 for first place, \$15.00 for second place, and \$10.00 for third place for each age group.

Award for Outstanding Market Beef Exhibitor

Purpose:

To place more emphasis on the educational value of livestock shows.

To award youth for their knowledge and skills associated with their market beef project.

Events:

Skillathon, Livestock judging, Showmanship, Rate of Gain and Live Show Placing.

General Rules:

- 1. Only beef skillathon scores can be used.
- 2. Raw scores will be used for placings in the beef skillathon & livestock judging.
- 3. Showman of Showmen contest will determine top 5 placings (includes age division winners and previous year showmanship winners). All other current year participants receive 80 points.
- 4. All Exhibitors will be competing for Outstanding Exhibitor in Market Beef unless they notify the Weigh Master at the time of the weigh-in.
- 5. Animals must meet requirements for show.
- 6. General rules applying to livestock exhibitors will be followed.
- 7. Any exhibitor disqualified for any reason will be ineligible for this award.
- 8. Any event not participated in will be scored zero points.
- 9. An exhibitor can only win this award once but may

continue to compete in the individual events.

Points Awarded for each Event:

- 1st place - 100 points
- 2nd place - 98 points
- 3rd place - 95 points
- 4th place - 91 points
- 5th place - 86 points
- All other participants - 80 points

Tie breaker to determine overall winner:

- 1st - Skillathon score
- 2nd - Livestock judging score
- 3rd - Score from beef portion of livestock judging contest
- 4th - Showmanship points
- 5th - Live placing points

A monetary award will be given to the overall winner. In the event of a tie (after tiebreakers) award money will be divided equally among the tied individuals. The overall winner will receive special recognition in the pre-sale and post-fair coverage.

Delaware County Outstanding Feeder Calf Exhibitor Award

Purpose:

To place more emphasis on the educational value of livestock shows.

To reward youth for their knowledge and skills associated with their feeder calf project.

Events:

Skillathon, Livestock judging, Showmanship and Live Show Placing

General Rules:

- 1. Only beef skillathon scores can be used.
- 2. Raw scores will be used for placings in the beef skillathon and livestock judging.
- 3. Showman of showmen contest will determine top 5 placings (includes age division winners and previous year showmanship winners). All current year participants receive 80 points.
- 4. All Exhibitors will be competing for Outstanding Exhibitor in Market Beef unless they notify the Weigh Master at the time of the weigh-in.
- 5. Animals must meet requirements for show.
- 6. General rules applying to livestock exhibitors will be followed.
- 7. Any exhibitor disqualified for any reason will be ineligible for this award.
- 8. Any event not participated in will be scored zero points.
- 9. You can only win this award once but may continue to compete in the individual events.

Points Awarded for each Event

- 1st place - 100 points
- 2nd place - 98 points
- 3rd place - 95 points
- 4th place - 91 points
- 5th place - 86 points
- All other participants 80 points

Tie breaker to determine overall winner:

- 1st - Skillathon Score
- 2nd - Livestock judging score
- 3rd - Score from beef portion of livestock judging contest
- 4th - Showmanship points
- 5th - Live placing points

A plaque will be given to the overall winner. In the event of a tie (after tiebreakers) an additional plaque will be ordered. The

overall winner will receive special recognition in the pre-sale and in post-sale coverage.

Section 230: Market Beef

Class 23001 - Market Beef (Steers and Heifers)
Class 23002 – Market Dairy Steers

Section 231: Beef & Dairy Feeders

Class 23101 - Beef Feeders
Class 23102 - Dairy Feeders

Section 232: Market Beef Showmanship

Class 23201 – Jr. Showmanship (8-11yrs.)
Class 23202 – Int. Showmanship (12-14 yrs.)
Class 23203 – Sr. Showmanship (15-18 yrs.)

Section 233: Beef & Dairy Feeder Showmanship

Class 23301 – Jr. Showmanship (8-11yrs.)
Class 23302 – Int. Showmanship (12-14 yrs.)
Class 23303 – Sr. Showmanship (15-18 yrs.)

Register for Skillathons under Livestock Activities

AWARDS

Grand Champion Market Beef..... Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef Banner
Champion Division I- Market Dairy Steers..... Plaque
Reserve Champion Division I- Market Dairy Steers Plaque
Champion Division II. Plaque
Reserve Champion Division II Plaque
Champion Division III. Plaque
Reserve Champion Division III Plaque
Each Class Winner..... Plaque
Outstanding Market Beef Exhibitor..... Plaque

Fitting and Grooming Awards

Senior Fitting and Grooming (15-18 yrs. of age) Plaque
Res. Sr. Fitting and Grooming (15-18 yrs. of age)..... Plaque
Intermediate Fitting & Grooming (12-14 yrs. of age) Plaque
Res. Intermediate Fitting and Grooming (12-14 yrs. of age)
..... Plaque
Junior Fitting and Grooming (9-11 yrs. of age) Plaque
Res. Junior Fitting and Grooming (9-11 yrs. of age)..... Plaque

Showmanship Awards

Senior Showmanship (15-18 yrs. of age) Plaque
Reserve Senior Showmanship (15-18 yrs. of age) Plaque
Intermediate Showmanship (12-14 yrs. of age)..... Plaque
Res. Intermediate Showmanship (12-14 yrs. of age) Plaque
Junior Showmanship (9-11 Yrs. of age). Plaque
Reserve Junior Showmanship (9-11 yrs. of age) Plaque
Showman of Showmen Plaque
Reserve Showman of Showmen Plaque
Adult Showmanship..... Plaque

Rate of Gain Awards

Champion Rate of Gain..... Plaque
Reserve Champion Rate of Gain Plaque
Third Place Rate of Gain Plaque

Dairy & Beef Feeder Awards

Champion Beef Feeder Banner
Res. Champion Beef Feeder Banner
Champion Dairy Feeder Banner
Res. Champion Dairy Feeder..... Banner
Dairy Feeder Class Winners Plaque
Beef Feeder Class Winners Plaque
Outstanding Feeder Exhibitor..... Plaque

Dairy & Beef Feeder Calf Showmanship Awards

Senior Showmanship (15-18 yrs. of age) Plaque
Reserve Senior Showmanship (15-18 yrs. of age) Plaque

Intermediate Showmanship (12-14 yrs. of age)..... Plaque
Res. Intermediate Showmanship (12-14 yrs. of age) Plaque
Junior Showmanship (9-11 Yrs. of age) Plaque
Reserve Junior Showmanship (9-11 yrs. of age) Plaque
Showman of Showmen Plaque
Reserve Showman of Showmen Plaque

